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Type

Infantry school

Quarters

Barracks at 1 Kopernikusstrasse

Strength

Eighty officers and about 1,100 police

Organization

School headquarters

Headquarters company

Nine light-weapons infantry companies

One heavy-weapons infantry company

One Sonderkommando of forty police

Officers

Inspekteur Pilz (fnu), school commandant

Inspekteur Piper (fnu), PK-Leiter

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Inspekteur Brendel (fnu), director of training

Polizeirat Pagel (fnu), chief of the instruction section

Polizeirat Sparr (fnu), chief of the training section

Armament in each light weapons company

Thirty-two carbines

Two machine guns, model 34

One machine gun, model 08

Five submachine guns, model 44

Three submachine guns, model 38

Four assault rifles, model 44

Five pistols, model 03

Four 80-mm mortars in the heavy weapons (10th) company

Other equipment

Two remote-controlled midget tanks of Goliath type

Two portable radio sets

Two Ford trucks

Three passenger cars

Training

Infantry training (company attacking while on march and from an assembly position)

Radio training for all trainees

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Six-week technical course (driver's training) for the Sonderkommando

Political attitude

About 400 police were members of the Socialist Unity Party (SED), with Polizeirat Dommel as chairman.

About 90 percent belonged to the Free German Youth (FDJ), with Polizeimeister Wojak as chairman.

Miscellaneous data

The current course was said to last until July or August 1950.

Some NCOs considered about 70 percent of the trainees incapable of passing the final examination.

After the transfer of graduates to other units, the school allegedly will be converted into a Bereitschaft.

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